# OUR FATHERLESS ONES.

"Thou Art the Helper of the Fatherless."—Psalm 10:14.

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## Timely Comment
: on Topics of Interest in :
## Church and State

Pastor Russell is a fake prophet from the ground up. To intelligent people his doctrine sounds like the wind blowing through a tin horn. His teachings are devoid of reason.

A minister of the Roman Catholic church in Arizona has hired lawyers to fight prohibition laws recently passed. He claims that it forbids the use of wine in sacramental ceremonies. There, take a look at a real Catholic priest—fighting the will of the people.

Some of these days college students will learn that hazing isn't the proper thing, and a mighty dangerous way of having fun. Recently a student was shot, not fatally, at Wake Forest College while attempting to haze a fellow student, and now the name of that college has a blot that will remain on its good names for years to come.

The General Assembly of North Carolina convened in Raleigh yesterday. For some time now the newspaper reports from Raleigh will over-shadow the struggle in Europe. It is safe to say that much will be said but very little of worth accomplished. This is not the fault of the legislators altogether because they conduct themselves in a way calculated to win votes—the way that pleases a majority of the people. After all it is the fault of the people if very little progressive legislation is accomplished.

### A Man With an Ideal

Dr. Clarence Poe's enthusiasm for race segregation seems to grow as the days go by. He is a man with a head on his shoulders, and cannot be downed. Watch him land into the governor's chair on the Segregation of the Races Platform. The farmers ought to be allowed to place one of their number in the governor's chair once in a life time. About the only thing that will keep Dr. Poe out of the governor's mansion will be Dr. Poe himself. It is possible that he regards his present position with the greatest agricultural newspaper in the world as a far greater service to his fellowmen than he could render in any elective office within the gift of the people. He's a fighter from the ground up, and all that he says is flavored with common sense. Our farmer friends ought to scotch his wheels.

### Champ Clark's Fall

It seems to be pretty generally admitted that Speaker Champ Clark appeared before a Detroit audience recently and was so intoxicated that he was unable to make his speech, disappointing his audience, disgracing himself and the party he represents. Some of the papers advance the plea that the public should cast the mantle of charity over this sin and forget it, claiming that he has waged many battles in an effort to put the dog behind him. Whether it is the proper thing for a strong prohibition nation to endorse such drunkenness in its officials is for the people to say, but this editor can hardly refrain fron rejoicing that Woodrow Wilson, by the ruling of an all-wise Providence, won out instead of Champ Clark. Woodrow Wilson is the great physician who will heal the wounds of the nations.

### That One Was Full

Wife—Oh, George, dear, do order a rat trap to be sent home today.

George—But you bought one last week.

Wife—Yes, dear, but there's a rat in that.

### Orphanage Association

The plans for the work of the State Orphanage Association are now being mapped out by the officers. They will be submitted in the constitution and by-laws when the next meeting of the association is held after the call of the president on January 28, 29 or 30, the dates of the meeting of the Social Service Conference.

The officers who will draw up this constitution are as follows:

Zadok Paris, President.

Gen. B. S. Royster, First Vice-President.

J. R. Young. Second Vice-President

Miss Mary E. Jenkins, Secretary.

M. L Shipman, Treasurer.

Executive Committee: Archibald Johnson, W. J. Smith, J. O. Cox, C. W. Pender, R. L. Brown, Miss Daisy Denson, C. B. McNairy. H. C. Moore, F. P. Hobgood.

### State Journal Revived.

Our Fatherless Ones was delighted the other day after receiving a copy of The State Journal. This splendid publication is published at the capital of the State and is edited by Col. Alex. J. Field. It fills a useful place in the field of journalism. Among other things The State Journal has the following as its mission: "to build up every good thing and not to tear any good thing down; to unite people rather than cast them asunder; to encourage co-operation and fellowship and brotherhood. For, are we not all in the same boat? We may differ on many subjects but on the great fundamental principles we are all agreed! Our aim is to trace these principles through the maze of modern life and unite the people in a common program of progress. We cannot go forward if some are rowing one way and some another, while others are merely rocking the boat."

### Orphans Remembered Bountifully.

The following list of gifts in kind will show that our people all over the State are not going to be satisfied with what they have been doing in the past. They are going to boost their church orphanage. These are they to whom we are grateful for their generous gifts of love and of which no mention was made before Christmas:

Kannapolis, one box of canned fruit; C. E. Society, First Church Durham, 35 pounds of candy; L. M. S. Thyatira, one quilt; Graham Church, box of cakes; Hickory Church, box of cakes and fruit; Tarboro friends, gifts for 25 Annie Louise girls, one quilt; Elmira Aid Society, Burlington, one box of fruit; L. M. S. one quilt: Ladies Laurinburg Church, one box cakes; St. Andrews Sunday School, Wilmington, apples, oranges, raisins, confectionaries, cakes, etc.; Burlington Church, canned fruit; Mrs. J. E. Logan, one box of sparklers; Ladies Lincolnton Church, one barrel of apples; Senior Miriams, Bethesda Church, Aberdeen, one box of clothing; L. A. M. S., Graham, one box canned fruit; Skimen Manufacturing Co., Omaha, Neb., one case of macaronia; Monroe, Box 127, one box work bags; Sunbeam Society, Newton, one box canned fruit and preserves, one box of bed linen, towels, Etc.; John R. Yount, Newton, one barrel of apples; Mocksville Church, one box cakes, fruit, etc.; Ladies First Church Wilmington, fruit, raisins, oranges apples candy, etc.; Second Church Charlotte, from Pastors Aid Society, Earnest Workers, L. M. & F., two boxes candy, one bushel of candy, being enough for every child to have a bag; Sunday School First Church, Greensboro, candy, fruit, fire works and groceries, also $25.00 Victrola; Little Helpers M. Society, Teachys, one box containing quilt and other things; Miriams, West End, one box gifts; Mrs. H. M. Patterson, one box oranges; S. S. class, Spence Chapel, one quilt.

—1915.

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—Hard to write it that way.

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—How about that new year resolution.

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—Miss Margaret Gordon spent a few days at Lowell recently.

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—Oh! but the children had the merriest Christmas ever.

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—Miss Annis Barnette spent the holidays with Rev. and Mrs. E.D. Brown of Loray.

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—In taking stock for the new year think first of others and all will be well with self.

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—Miss Mattie Hundley, of Rocky Mt. was a welcome visitor during the holidays.

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—Miss May Lowe of Moncure, one of our alumnae, was one of our pleasant holiday visitors.

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—Mrs. J. R. Estridge of Charlotte was here this week on a visit to her children.

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—Mrs. Lizzie Devinney of Maiden was here recently to see 'Gene.

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—Miss Catherine Perry spent the holidays in Atlanta, returning Monday night.

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—Miss Mary Robinson returned Tuesday night from her nome at Steele Creek.

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Miss Rodman returned Monday night after a pleasant visit to relatives at Waxhaw.

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—Miss Catherine McRae spent the Christmas holidays in Rocky Mount and Wilmington.

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—Miss Woods returned Monday from Mooresville where she spent a few days.

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—Our Statesville Merchants remembered us with a generous supply of beautiful calendars.

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—School began again Tuesday with all the children doing good work.

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—Santa Claus was better to all of us than we deserved. He remembered every child in royal fashion.

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—Miss Catherine Crawford returned Tuesday night after a pleasant visit to Jacksonville, Fla.

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—Miss Melissa Warlick of Statesville delighted her friends at Howard Cottage with a short visit last week.

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—Claudia Adams of Raleigh, twin sister of Floy, arrived Wednesday to make her home at Barium.

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—Ruth Stanley and Anne Hartsell spent Friday in Statesville visiting Miss Melisa Warlick.

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—Miss Foust returned Saturday afternoon after a pleasant vacation with home folks at Graham.

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—Santa Claus is making Barium winter quarters. So many things came that they are not all gone yet.

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—We were delighted to have Miss Virginia Long of the Southern Presbyterian College with us for the Christmas holidays.

—Mr. Walsh and Mr. Harper Brady of Statesville came down on last Friday and laid off two basket ball courts for our boys and taught them the game.

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—Prayer meeting will be held in the dining room on Thursday evenings following supper during the winter months instead of in the church.

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—One of the first letters we received this year brought us a check for $115 from a godly woman in Wilson to be used in supporting a child.

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—Wallace Bros., of Statesville made us a present of three boxes of toboggins and one box of fascinators for our little girls.

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—The only hope the editor has of enjoying a better dinner than the New Year dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Lowrance at Round Knob is another one just like it.

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—Ten dollars divided up into prizes were given to various children in the several work departments for good work and excellent conduct during the past year.

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—A number of our older children and several members of the faculty atteneded the funeral of Mrs. W. M. Walsh's father, Mr. Paxton, in Statesville on Tuesday of last week.

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—The Christmas dinner was complete in every detail, so good, in fact, that it makes us sad to write about it now. It's gone, but memory holds onto it reluctantly.

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—The Christmas offering for Home and Foreign Missions given by our workers and children amounted to $84.30. Thus it will be seen that the children are taught to give, and all is not getting with them.

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—For all the prayers, gifts and love so freely given by our friends Our Fatherless Ones desires to thank you, and wish you the fullest and richest of temporal and spiritual blessing during the new year.

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—Friends in the First Presbyterian Church of Statesville gave our girls a volley ball set, our older boy two basket ball sets, Mission study books for the Mission classes, and books, games, etc., for the smaller children.

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—Dr. W. H. Wakefield of Charlotte came up to Barium on Wednesday of last week and examined the eyes of our children. He found a number of defective eyes, and has supplied glasses for quite a number of our children.

—The Victrola given by the Sunday School of the First Church of Greensboro has been the source of much amusement on the part of our children. They made a happy selection for a Christmas gift and all the children are delighted.

—When a pastor collects all the good second hand shoes he can get and sends them to us, and adds "Lucky can get them in shape for service" we know he reads Our Fatherless Ones or he would not know who Lucky is. Then when another writes and asks questions that have been answered in Our Fatherless Ones until they are worn out, we know he does not read the paper.

### What a Mission Church is Doing.

The North Winston Church, although still in its infancy, is doing a good part by our orphanage. Our Fatherless Ones is read in every family in the church. In a letter from Rev. Geo. W. Lee of this church he sends the following appreciated message:

"You will find enclosed check for forty-five dollars, a little Christmas gift for the Orphans' Home from the Young Men's Bible class of the North Winston Presbyterian Church of which I have the pleasure and honor of being its teacher.

Besides this they have contributed regularly monthly to the S. S. collection for the Home.

We saved this by taking out a Christmas club account with the Merchants' National Bank, Winston-Salem, N. C.

On the night of our Christmas exercises we had a 'potato contribution' and in a few days I hope to get off a nice lot of potatoes to you. I hope and trust that the past year has been one of great good for all in the Home, and I pray that God in His love and wisdom may give unto you and all your work the best success ever, richly blessing all in the Home."

—At Henderson Church instead of having an entertainment for the children had the children to bring gifts for the Barium children, and as a result we secured a large box of canned goods, cereals, etc. The Baraca class of this church sent 24 quarts of fruit.

—In giving the names of those who have taken training in various educational institutions we hardly hoped to remember all of our old boys and girls. We have thought of others and do not intend to slight any one but intend to publish a supplement to this list at some future date.

—The following number of our former Barium boys found their way back to the hill for short visits: John Carriker of Davidson College, Frank Carriker of Salisbury, John Grier of Charlotte, Burton Massey of Mt. Berry, Ga., and Horace and Ben Massey who have since gone to Mt. Berry to enter school.

—The editor is always delighted to announce the successes achieved by any of our former boys and girls. This time the fortunate one is Mr. Grady Young of Mayodan who was married to Miss Brooxie Martin Poole on Saturday, December 26, 1914. Our fondest hope is that the history of this popular couple will read "and they were happy ever afterwards."

—The following young gentlemen were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lowrance's last Saturday: Misses Mary Lowrance, Louise Campbell, Lorene, Gertude, and Julia McNeely, and Messres. Bain Gabriel, Frank and Carey Lowrance, all of Mooresville. The editor joined the party for one of the most pleasant hours of the holidays. These young people enjoyed a pleasant day at Barium. The sumptuous dinner must have been the leading feature of the occasion.

—The First Presbyterian Sunday School of Greensboro decided that instead of having a Christmas tree or an entertainment in which the pupils of the Sunday-school receive something, the school as a whole decided that this year's entertainment should be a "giving party" and that each class and each member would make some contribution to the orphans at Barium Springs. As a result we have received a great supply of provisions as the harvest of their efforts.

### Awkward.

Normandie—Can you dress within your income?

Bartram—Yes, but it's like dressing in an upper berth.

### Hopeful.

Father—I got a number of sealed proposals at my office today.

Daughter—Oh, pa, were any of them for me?

## GLEANINGS
:— FROM —:
## Orphanage Papers.

### The Orphanage in 1915.

The Orphanage is at the highest point of efficiency it has ever been. Things here are going along with oiled smoothness. The homes are all full of children, the tables are crowded at every meal, and the schools are running over with boys and girls, who are under a compulsory rule of education in a State that has fought compulsory education. So that we have plenty of material. In fact, dear reader, we have more boys and girls right now asking admittance to the Orphanage than we have ever had. Women who have worked when times are good, get no work when times are ill. They have to apply to us to relieve them. Now, what are you going to do for us this year? Will you not see to it that we have the means to keep the Orphanage up to the high efficiency point it has reached? We need you this year, and we hope that the year's close will reveal the fact that the Orphanage has done more than ever and that friends have stood nobly by it. —Thornwell Messenger.

### Others also Liberal

We felt a little envious for our children when we read of the fine way in which the North Carolina people were filling up the 500 Thomasville orphans with apples. But we kept our mouths shut and said nothing. Latterly, however, we have begun to smile. Some North Carolina apples came dropping down to Thornwell; and then Georgia tried her hand, until two, three, four, five, barrels reached us; and then suddenly down rolled a whole twelve barrels all the way from Boston. We are in hope that the stream will not cease to flow, and that our children will get through Christmas, well saturated with apple juice, and feeling as happy as little people can be at the thought that without a single apple tree on the Orphanage grounds, the very oaks and pines seem to be full of them.

—Then came Our Fatherless Ones and taunted us with the idea that their North Carolina people had just turned loose chickens on their campus by the hundreds, and turkeys, until they got up turkey dinners out of them. Good for you little tarheels. Apples and chickens we have always heard are North Carolina products; we will get something good for Christmas too, and you may just count on that.—Our Monthly.

### The Sort of Girl to Wait For.

The girl who is unkind to her mother isn't worth much. This isn't written in any part of the Bible, but it's written in the history of thousands and thousands of misfit homes. If one of you boys ever run across a girl with her face full of roses; with eyes that would dim the lustre of a Colorado sky, and with a voice that would make the song of an angel seem discordant, and she says as she comes to the door: "I can't go for a few minutes; I've got to help mother with the dishes," don't give her up. Stick to her like a burr to a mule's tail. Just sit down on the door steps and wait. If she joins you in two or three minutes, so much the better; but if you have to stay there on the door step for half an hour, or an hour, you just wait for her. If you don't, somebody else will, and in time you'll be sorry. For you'll realize what you have lost.

Wait for her, boy. She's worth it.—Bulletin.

Prodigal.—Nurse—"Why, Bobby, you selfish little boy? Why didn't you give your sister part of your apple?"

Bobby—"I gave her the seeds. She can plant 'em and have a whole orchard."—Judge.

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### My Wealth.

My neighbor, she's never without a cook,
And a girl to keep everything clean,
And this neighbor of mine looks ever so fine,
When she goes riding in her big limousine,
And many there be who go envying her
Her cook or her maid or her car and chauffeur,
While never a thought are they giving to me,
And yet I am richer, far richer than she.

I'm rich in the having of bread to bake,
For the blessedest, hungriest man,
And I'm rich in the joy of a dear baby boy
That I hold just as tight to my heart as I can.
Oh God in His goodness in heaven above
Gave me all the riches in giving me love.
But love without service would be incomplete,
So work came with love to make loving more sweet.

—Elsie Duncan Sanders.

## 1915—WHAT?

What will 1915 mean to you? Are you going the same old road you traveled last year and experiencing the same bitter trials and disappointments? Are you going to carry over the sorrows of the past year and temper the pleasures of the coming year with them. Nay. Let us turn our backs upon the past failures and disappointments. Let us face the future with bright hope, let us follow where duty calls, trusting in God and 1915 will bring a large measure of happiness and prosperity to each reader of Our Fatherless Ones.

"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

Count that day really worse than lost
You might have made divine.
Through which you scattered much of frost
And never a speck of shine.

—Nixon Waterman.

With all of her faults, South Carolina leads in the United States with the largest per cent of Protestant church members. Catholics are scarce in South Carolina. South Carolina has a bad name in some quarters because she has only one political party. The best element of South Carolina's citzenship shun the political jobs and take little interest in the election, and as a result uncapable men get in office and law enforcement sinks to a low ebb.

## ORPHANAGE HALF-SUPPORTING.

"The Orphans' Friend" says that the wide-spread belief that the Masonic Orphanage is not in need of funds is far from the facts and says further that "it is a very grave mistake, and very greatly to our prejudice, to think that we have all the money we can use." In speaking of the matter further this excellent publication adds:

"It might be well to say in this connection that so far from such being the case, we are dependent upon the money-making departments of the institution to keep it up to its present standard. More than half the expense of the institution is met by the money made in the institution; the chidren themselves work and help pay for their own upkeep and education. In fact, if it were not for the money we make here, over half of the children here would have to be turned out.

## BOYS, START THE YEAR RIGHT.

One of the best resolutions any boy can make in beginning the new year is to resolve to leave off the tobacco habit in all forms. Tobacco may not be injurious to fully developed men, but almost every living man is agreed that it is harmful for boys.

Henry Ford, the famous auto mobile manufacturer, and Thomas A. Edison, the world-famous inventor, have started a crusade against cigarettes for boys. Ford says; "If you will study the history of almost any criminal, you will find that he is an inveterate cigarette smoker. Boys, through cigarettes, train with bad company. They go with other smokers to the pool rooms and saloons. The cigarette drags them down."

Mr. Ford quotes Mike Donovan, the famous athlete, as saying; "Smoking weakens the heart and lungs, and ruins the stomach and affects the entire nervous system. If a boy or young man expects to amount to anything in athletics he must let smoking and all kinds of liquor alone. They are rank poison to his athletic ambitions."

"We also quote Dr. D. H. Kress as follows: "The cigarette strikes a direct blow at the most vital organ of the body. It weakens the heart action. The boy with a weakened heart is more apt to succumb to typhoid fever, tuberculosis, or other acute diseases which especially tax the heart, should he be stricken down with them. The cigarette (also) injures the boy morally. He is almost as difficult to impress as the cocaine fiend."

Thomas A. Edison, the famous inventor, has the following to say:

"The injurious agent in cigarettes comes principally from the burning paper wrapper. The substance thereby formed is called 'Acrolein.' It has a violent action on the nerve centers, producing degeneration of the cells of the brain, which is quite rapid among boys. Unlike most narcotics this degeneration is permanent and uncontrollable. I employ no person who smokes cigarettes."

An order has been issued in Russia prohibiting the sale of wine and beer. It looks like Russia intends to make a model of herself in this matter of temperance. Other so-called highly civilized nations soaked with insobriety ought to blush in shame as Russia passes them on the way to better things.

The North Carolina A. & M. College is doing a good thing by the farmers in offering them a one-month short course in Agriculture, livestock management and diseases, drainage, horticulture, and poultry raising, charging them only actual cost for this service. Full imformation may be had by writing to Dr. D. H. Hill, West Raleigh.

In the death of Rev. J. N. Cole, D. D., superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, the orphanage cause lost one of its best friends and the Methodist Church and the State suffered a loss which cannot bo properly estimated. While the greater part of his life was given in service as a pastor, yet he laid the evening of his life with all of his collected knowledge on the altar of service in behalf of the unfortunate children of the land.

Courage to live, to take up our burden again and go forward, staggering, stumbling it may be, but forward; to go back into the fight, though it seems a losing fight; the courage to assume a great responsibility and dare to face a possible crushing disaster; the courage to live—that is what Christ has given to men. —Sel.

## Gems of Thought for Every Day Living.

### Manhood.

"Not gold, but only men can make
A people great and strong;
Men who for truth and honor's sake
Stand fast and suffer long.
Brave men who work while others sleep,
Who dare while others fly—
They build a nation's pillars deep
And lift them to the sky."

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Revenge is an inhuman word. —Seneca.

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"Children have more need of models than of critics."

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Take care that no one hates you justly.—Syrus.

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Hunger is the teacher of the arts, and the bestower of invention.—Persius.

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Enjoy your present pleasure so as not to injure those that are to follow.—Seneca.

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"When the best things are not possible the best may be made of those that are possible."

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It is a good thing to be rich and a good thing to be strong, but it is a better thing to be loved by many friends.—Ex.

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He who despises mankind will never get the best out of either others or himself.—De Tocqueville.

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"The boy who talks loudest on the street isn't always the first to speak when the teacher begins to ask questions."

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Life is a series of surprises. We do not guess to-day the mood, the pleasure of to-morrow, when we are building up our being.—Emerson.

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Die when I may, I want it said of me by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow.—Lincoln.

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"When love translates itself into action, that action will always be unselfish. A selfish love for others is a contradiction in terms; it does not exist; for where true love is, there is always self-effacement. "Sacrifice is simply love in action—the universal and spontaneous language of the sentiment in its intensity."—Sel.

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Most birds sing after the sun has risen, but there are a few who sing in the dark, and their music is famous the world over. It is a fine thing for boys and girls to be cheerful when all about them is sunny and smiling, but those who go on a little further and keep brave and cheery in times of trouble, should be counted with the nightingale, as the sweetest of all singers.—Ex.

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There is no wealth but life—life, including all its powers of love, of joy and of admiration. That country is richest which nourishes the greatest number of noble and happy human beings; that man is richest who, having perfected the functions in his own life to the utmost, has also the widest helpful influence, both personal and by means of his possessions, over the lives of others.—John Ruskin.

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Worry is the twin sister of nervousness. Neither should ever enter into the daily life of any one. God, in His all-wise providence, put the head of a human being on top that all beneath it might be subservient to it. There is something wrong above the eyes, in the region of the will power, when one becomes nervous in the sense of excitability. "Know thyself" is good; control thyself is better. Worry and excitement never aided any one.—Sel.

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### Health as An Ideal.

If people did as many things to become strong as they do to avoid disease, the health of our communities would show marked improvement. Thousands of young people are engaged in "building themselves to get run down. If splendid physical health were the general aim, instead of mere avoidance of being sick, late hours, unhealthful clothing, and like transgressions of the laws of hygiene would soon go out of fashion.—Ex.

### A New Year's Prayer

"Give me the man-soul, God-pure, brave, serene—
To meet these days:
Ready to walk, head high, with firm, sure tread
The year's strange ways!

"I would be soul-poised, great in gentleness,
Gentle in power,
Rich in self-giving, pouring life and love into each hour.

"Help me to sing and fight, not weep and cower,
When blows fall fast;
Patient to bear, strong to endure—thy son, True to the last.

"Let me live grandly, seek the things that last,
Press toward Love's goal;
Win jewels, fame! Nay, better when earth's past
Stand a crowned soul!

"So be my helper, Father—comfort me.
With staff and rod,
Till I shall give thee back thy year well lived
For men and God!"

A. B. C. Monthly.

### Prayers of the Mother After the Children Have Gone to Bed.

They are asleep, O God, and I am tired, and I want the hush of a half-hour with Thee. I want to bathe my soul in the Infinite, as workers, covered with dust and sweat, plunge into the sea.

Let my hot heart feel thy cool vastness, my muddy mind lose itself in Thy crystal wisdom my banised love be healed in the waters of Thy love, so sure, so calm and deep.

God, I could not bear to be a mother another day if I thought I should be called to account for all my mistakes. I would never seek Thee unless I thought Thou wert as forbearing and love-blind as I; but because my own children never come to me without my heart leaping to meet them, so I learn to be very bold toward my Father which is in Heaven.

I am all faults. My very love trips up my wisdom, and my care breeds worry, and my sense of expediency makes me disloyal to the truth. One has to be very great to be a mother. No one short of God Himself could be equal to it.

But I love them, God; and in love I climb beside Thy seat.

Teach me Thine own wondrous skill and indirections, so that I also may learn to wait, and to suffer, and, by long wisdom, to circumvent.

I know it is of no avail to tell them anything. I know their little eyes are sharp, and see my soul, and that they copy me. Therefore make me good, good in my very desires.

Make me all I want them to be, strong and true and great hearted.

Save me from the irritation of little things. Give me the long vision, the sense of perspective, so that I may judge between essentials and non-essentials.

Let me be a real mother to my children, mending their souls and fancies and helping weave their dreams, as well as attending to their bodies.

Help me to learn wisdom from their dear humanities, the secret of trust in Thee from their trust in me.

And keep them from harm, and let them grow up sound and unspoiled.

And make them always love me. Amen—Frank Crane, in Ladies Home Journal.

### Two Golden Days.

There are two days of the week upon which and about which I never worry---two carefree days, kept sacred free from fear and apprehension.

One of these days is yesterday. Yesterday, with all its cares and frets, with its pains and aches, all its faults, its mistakes and blunders, has passed forever beyond the reach of my recall.

Save for the beautiful memories, sweet and tender, that linger like the perfume of roses in the heart of the day that is gone, I have nothing to do with yesterday. It was mine; it is God's. And the other day I do not worry about is tomorrow. Tomorrow, with all its possible adversities, its burdens, its perils, its large promise and poor performance, its failures and mistakes, is as far beyond the reach of my mastery, as its dead sister, yesterday.

Its sun will rise in roseate splendor, or behind a mass of weeping clouds. Tomorrow---it is God's day. It will be mine.---Robert J. Burdette.

It may not be our lot to wield
The sickle in the ripened field;
Nor ours to hear, on summer eves,
The reaper's song amongst the sheaves.
Yet where our duty's task is wrought
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1915.

## CASH RECEIPTS

**Support Fund from Presbyteries for the Month Ending Dec. 31, 1914.**

**Albemarle Presbytery.**

Churches

| | |
|---|---|
| Howard Mem'l | 28 69 |
| Raleigh | 138 88 |
| Goldsboro 1st | 50 00 |
| Henderson | 87 65 |
| Little Grassy Creek | 5 14 |
| Wilson 1st | 53 85 |
| Olivet " | 5 25 |
| New Bern | 18 15 |
| Roanoke Rapids | 6 00 |
| Total from Churches | 393 61 |

Sunday Schools

| | |
|---|---|
| Greenville | 15 00 |
| Washington | 50 00 |
| Philathea Class Oxford | 5 00 |
| A. H. Moments' Class | 6 25 |
| Henderson | 12 50 |
| New Bern | 3 29 |
| Primary Dep't Raleigh | 3 00 |
| Total from S. S. | 95 04 |

Societies

| | |
|---|---|
| L. A. S. Wilson | 3 50 |
| L. A. S. Nutbush | 2 50 |
| Foreign Miss. Soc. Wilson | 3 00 |
| Total from Soc. | 17 00 |

Individuals

| | |
|---|---|
| Mrs. G. A. Holderness, Howard Mem'l | 4 50 |
| Mrs Job Cobb, Howard Mem'l | 4 50 |
| Mrs. A. P. Thorpe, Rocky Mt. | 3 00 |
| Ethel Kelly | 5 00 |
| Total from Ind. | 17 00 |
| Total | 514 65 |

**Asheville Presbytery**

Churches

| | |
|---|---|
| Waynesville | 7 08 |
| Montreat | 8 65 |
| Asheville | 40 24 |
| Total from Churches | 55 97 |

Sunday Schools.

| | |
|---|---|
| Ora Street | 3 50 |

Individuals

| | |
|---|---|
| Friend at Hendersonville | 1 00 |
| Jas. M. Brown | 1 00 |
| Total from Individuals | 2 00 |
| Total from Presbytery | 61 47 |

**Concord Presbytery**

Churches

| | |
|---|---|
| Cleveland | 8 00 |
| Morganton | 26 65 |
| Mocksville | 9 25 |
| Marion | 42 40 |
| Back Creek | 7 48 |
| Thyatira | 10 75 |
| Statesville 1st | 97 31 |
| Salisbury 1st | 111 80 |
| Mooresville 2nd | 5 85 |
| Newton | 20 00 |
| Patterson Mills | 20 68 |
| Concord | 27 87 |
| Hickory | 31 01 |
| Bethany | 2 05 |
| Total from churches | 421 10 |

Sunday Schools

| | |
|---|---|
| Concord | 24 63 |
| Morganton | 10 30 |
| Back Creek | 1 08 |
| Mocksville | 4 29 |
| Newton | 50 00 |
| Thyatira | 3 75 |
| Hickory | 6 94 |
| Mooresville 1st | 18 31 |
| Boys of Statesville 1st | 5 00 |
| Kannapolis | 6 34 |
| Davidson | 7 53 |
| Concord Iredell | 3 08 |
| Elmwood | 1 82 |
| Total from S. S. | 143 07 |

Societies

| | |
|---|---|
| L. M. S. Back Creek | 5 70 |
| Kings Daughters, Morganton | 2 50 |
| Total from societies | 8 20 |

Individuals

| | |
|---|---|
| Friend in Lenoir | 12 00 |
| F.P. Tate, | 6 00 |
| Miss Annis Barnette | 1 50 |
| A. L. Mills Statesville 1st | 2 50 |
| Friend in Newton | 25 00 |
| W. A. Bristol | 2 50 |
| John Grier | 1 00 |
| Total From Individual | 50 50 |
| " " Presbytery | 614 67 |

**Fayetteville Presbytery**

Churches

| | |
|---|---|
| Westminster | 2 10 |
| Mt. Gilead | 23 95 |
| Laurinburg | 9 75 |
| St. Andrews | 14 19 |
| Ashpole | 30 92 |
| Rowland | 5 91 |
| Macedonia | 7 00 |
| Lumberton | 18 96 |
| Laurel Hill | 33 91 |
| Duke | 14 36 |
| Iona | 10 00 |
| Fayetteville 1st | 100 00 |
| Bethel | 8 50 |
| Rockingham | 2 05 |
| Mt. Pisgah | 7 00 |
| Highland | 24 40 |
| Raeford | 75 03 |
| Summerville | 2 30 |
| White Hill | 14 50 |
| Philadelphus | 1 30 |
| Antioch | 8 90 |
| Bluff | 6 00 |
| Centre | 43 13 |
| Vass | 15 40 |
| Sardis | 7 00 |
| Maxton | 72 86 |
| St. Pauls | 11 46 |
| Ben Salem | 7 02 |
| Bethesda | 41 20 |
| Red Springs | 40 00 |
| Ida Mills | 8 00 |
| Jackson Springs | 12 04 |
| Sherwood | 10 00 |
| Montpelier | 79 51 |
| Lumber Bridge | 3 17 |
| Shiloh | 2 18 |
| Jonesboro | 2 58 |
| Milton | 28 00 |
| Total from churches | 804 58 |

Sunday Schools

| | |
|---|---|
| Red Springs | 10 17 |
| Band of Miriams & S. S. Hamlet | 6 76 |
| Maxton | 18 98 |
| Ida Mills | 7 91 |
| Selma | 4 43 |
| Raeford | 8 28 |
| Carthage | 8 55 |
| Total from Sunday School | 78 08 |

Societies

| | |
|---|---|
| Womans' Aux., Bethesda | 10 00 |
| Lillian Austin Maxton | 21 04 |
| L. A. S. Oakland | 5 00 |
| Woman's Aux. Rowland | 6 50 |
| L. A. S. Godwin | 6 00 |
| Total from societies | 48 54 |

Individuals

| | |
|---|---|
| Friend in Fayetteville | 6 00 |
| Leila & Langdon Hubbard | 1 35 |
| S. A- Williamson | 5 00 |
| R. D. Croom Jr. Maxton | 5 00 |
| Miss Sallie McPhaul, Red Sp'gs. | 10 00 |
| Mrs. Mary B. Conaly, Red Sp'gs. | 10 00 |
| Miss Margaret Currie, Maxton | 5 00 |
| Mr. & Mrs. L. C. Hubbard | 10 00 |
| Friend at Fairmount | 1 00 |
| Mrs J. M. Garner | 2 50 |
| Total from individuals | 55 85 |
| Total from presbytery | 987 05 |

**Kings Mountain Presbytery**

Churches.

| | |
|---|---|
| Rutherfordton | 15 97 |
| Olney | 6 00 |
| Shelby | 33 60 |
| Brittian | 12 90 |
| Union Mills | 1 00 |
| Loray | 2 03 |
| Lincolnton | 22 30 |
| Dallas | 4 08 |
| Forest City | 1 16 |
| Total from churches | 99 04 |

Sunday Schools.

| | |
|---|---|
| Kings Mtn. | 5 67 |

Individuals

| | |
|---|---|
| Mrs. H. M. Eddleman, Gastonia | 6 00 |
| Total from Presbytery | 110 71 |

**Mecklenburg Presbytery.**

Churches

| | |
|---|---|
| Charlotte 1st | 189 45 |
| Knox 1st | 8 30 |
| Wadesboro | 5 91 |
| Palestine | 3 15 |
| Bethel | 6 17 |
| Williams | 8 03 |
| Mulberry | 2 88 |
| Mallard Creek | 8 00 |
| Sugar Creek | 14 00 |
| West Ave | 38 00 |
| Banks | 3 43 |
| Morven | 1 90 |
| Sharon | 11 95 |
| Philadelphia | 10 00 |
| Cornelius | 1 87 |
| Monroe | 104 95 |
| Total from Churches | 417 99 |

Sunday Schools.

| | |
|---|---|
| Pineville | 2 63 |
| Lilesville | 1 50 |
| Paw Creek | 16 05 |
| Philadelphia | 2 00 |
| Cornelius | 4 97 |
| Waxhaw | 7 20 |
| Westminster | 7 00 |
| Huntersville | 1 40 |
| Total from Sunday Schools | 42 75 |

Societies

| | |
|---|---|
| Lad. Aid & Orp. Soc. Char. 1st. | 36 00 |
| Willing Workers Band, Mulberry | 2 00 |
| Total from Societies | 38 00 |

Individuals.

| | |
|---|---|
| Mrs. T. J. Flowe | 1 00 |
| Laura, Va. & Catherine Via | 1 00 |
| R. A. Torrence Jr. | 22 50 |
| Friend at Steele Cr | .60 |
| Total from Individuals | 25 10 |
| Total from Presbytery | 523 84 |

**Orange Presbytery.**

Churches

| | |
|---|---|
| Winston | 50 00 |
| Greensboro 1st | 348 53 |
| Graham | 30 90 |
| Burlington | 31 04 |
| Ch. of Covenant | 55 55 |
| Buffalo | 16 00 |
| Cross Roads | 5 00 |
| N. Wilkesboro | 11 56 |
| Hillsboro | 7 50 |
| Westminster | 39 22 |
| Chapel Hill | 25 00 |
| Mt. Airy | 5 22 |
| Durham | 241 10 |
| Little River | 30 20 |
| Bethesda | 4 75 |
| Jefferson | 2 00 |
| Reidsville | 59 00 |
| Total from churches | 962 57 |

Sunday Schools

| | |
|---|---|
| Mrs. J. M. Roger's class, Winston | 2 50 |
| N. Wilkesboro | 6 03 |
| Bessmer ave. | 15 22 |
| Chapel Hill | 2 00 |
| Midway | 2 08 |
| Lexington | 7 21 |
| Westminster | 24 00 |
| Mt. Airy | 18 37 |
| Durham 1st | 345 26 |
| Y. M. Bible class, Burlington | 6 66 |
| Flat Rock | 1 00 |
| Total from S. S. | 430 33 |

Societies.

| | |
|---|---|
| Boy's Miss. Band, Bethel | 15 54 |
| Jr. Light Bearers, Mebane | 3 20 |
| Lad. Soc. Albemarle | 3 50 |
| L. H. & F. Miss. Soc. Durham 1st | 5 00 |
| L. A. S. Durham 1st | 3 50 |
| Light Senders Miss. Soc. Reidsville | 20 00 |
| L. A. & M. Westminster | 6 00 |
| Willing Workers, N. Wilkesboro | 1 00 |
| Total from Societies | 57 74 |

Individuals

| | |
|---|---|
| E. A. Snow, High Point | 6 00 |
| Mrs. Dillard Watt, Reidsville | 25 00 |
| Jas. Sloan, Winston | 10 00 |
| Witherspoon children | 1 25 |
| Frank Gurley, High Point | 10 00 |
| Total from Individual | 52 25 |
| Total from Presbytery | 1,502 89 |

**Wilmington Presbytery.**

Churches

| | |
|---|---|
| Duplin Roads | 17 02 |
| Whiteville | 12 50 |
| Hallsboro | 3 75 |
| Wilmington 1st | 118 69 |
| Chinquepin | 7 28 |
| Burgaw | 20 00 |
| St. Andrews | 63 14 |
| New Hope | 1 00 |
| Caswell | 10 00 |
| Total from churches | 253 38 |

Sunday Schools

| | |
|---|---|
| Duplin Roads | 5 17 |
| Mt. Olive | 3 25 |
| Black River | 1 25 |
| Scuth " | 6 05 |
| Oak Plains | 1 00 |
| St. Andrews | 11 50 |
| Primary Dep't, Immanuel | 3 00 |
| Whiteville | 1 20 |
| Total from S. S. | 32 42 |

Societies.

| | |
|---|---|
| Willing Workers, Duplin Roads | 5 00 |
| L. A. S. Pollocksville | 5 00 |
| L. M. S. Rockfish | 4 30 |
| L. M. S. Warsaw | 15 00 |
| Bethcar Miss. Soc. | 2 00 |
| L. M. S. Duplin Roads | 6 00 |
| Total from societies | 37 30 |

Individuals

| | |
|---|---|
| Friend at Warsaw | 5 00 |
| Mrs. A. R. Miller, Chadbourn | 2 00 |
| Mrs. Lex Robeson, Bethcar | 1 00 |
| W. R. Ritch, Hopewell | 1 25 |
| Total from Individuals | 6 25 |
| " " Presbytery | 382 35 |

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| | | |
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| | | |
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Ours is just an "average" class of boys in a village out in the Oregon hills, but we enjoyed the privilege of having the governor of the State talk to us not long ago. I believe some of the things he told us are well worth "passing round" to other fellows. In the first place he assured us that he had no intention of "giving advice," for we could get that anywhere. He wanted to bring us a few things out of his own experience Looking back over the years, he said that he can see where three things had an influence in bringing him up to the position he occupies. The first of these was his cultivating the acquaintance of good books. We had heard that before, but the govenor brought it to us differently. His method was to always have a good book with him—as a sheep-herder out on the prairies, as a butcher boy in the city, as a clerk in the bank—always there were one or two good books in his pocket which he could consult and read during spare moments or spare hours. This habit remains with him. He never complains about the train being late—he just pulls that book from his pocket, finds a corner, and lets the minutes or the hours slip by. He said that he got much of his education in this way—that he studied law in this way. Thin, limp-leather volumes of the Bible, history and English classics—these were his companions, and he recommended them to us.

Next, he cultivated the companionship of fine young men—clean young fellows who were ambitious and filled with a desire to win—young fellows whose presence was an inspiration. He avoided the idle, indifferent fellows, except at such times as he tried to lift them up—to get them started on ambition's road. But for daily association, when such association was possible, he chose the fellow with the good habits and the manly character. He remarked that in every case these were Christian young men—most of them Sunday-school workers.

Last, he told us that he had gained much by cultivating the acquaintance of fine old men—those sturdy, gray-haired patriarchs whose presence is a benediction. "I got in the habit of going to these old men for counsil. I discovered that they could help me over the rough places, and keep my face toward the open road," he said, They had solved many of the problems that were now confronting him. He learned to profit by their experience. They were glad to help him—glad to think that they could be of service to him. Even yet, as governor over a great state, he finds occasion, every little while, to consult his white-haired friends on matters of grave importance to the commonwealth. He said that he never expects to be old enough or wise enough to find no use for the counsel and guidance of those older and wiser than himself.—Herbert Henderson.

### Judging Man.

The little I have seen of the world teaches me to look upon the errors of others in sorrow, not in anger. When I take the history of one poor heart that has sinned and suffered and represent to myself the struggles and temptations it has passed through, the brief pulsations of joy, the feverish inquietude of hope and fear, the pressure of want the desertion of friends; I would fain leave the erring soul of my fellow man with Him from whose hands it came.—Longfellow.

### "Jean, Too"

The children had overturned the little wagons on the lawn and were busily whirling the wheels, and the game exactly suited the two-year-old baby of the group; the flying wheels and whirling sound pleased her. Presently the older children tired of it, however, and proceeded to turn the wagons to the original purpose for which they had brought them out—riding up and down the sidewalk. The youngest protested.

"No, no, no! Turn wheels!" she cried.

But out on to the walk went the wagons, and the children called back their invitation:

"Come on, Jean; we'll give you a ride."

The little one stormed, cried and threw herself on the grass unavailingly. Then she sat up and watched the others. The power of whirling the wheels was gone, and the wagons were running right merrily. "Jean, too" she suddenly decided audibly, and trotted after them.

"The philosophy of the act!" laughed one watching the little scene; but it is one that many of all ages are slow to learn. For right and conscience one must stand firm, but preference must yield. We may think the old ways better than the new, and consider much that is called grogress as no improvement, but we cannot turn the wheels of the world to suit ourselves, and sitting down to mourn is worse than useless. Let us look forward and not backward, and say, "Jean, too!" to the best of our ability.—Exchange.

### Praying Morning and Evening.

"I always say my prayers at night but I am often in such a hurry that I forget them in the morning. In the daylight I feel as if I can take care of myself, but when I am asleep I do not feel so safe, and so always ask God to take care of me."

"Have you ever thought, Ruth," said the teacher with whom Ruth was talking, "that both by day and by night you and I stand equally in need of God's protection? In the daytime we face dangers seen and unseen, we are beset by perils when we walk our crowded streets. In the daytime, too, we encounter temptations. We may be disposed to shirk our duty, to slight our work to be mean when we ought to be noble, or false when we should be sincere. Surely by daylight we need God's constant help, and we ought to ask Him for it, never omit your prayers in the morning.

"Then at night the prayers should be full of thanksgiving. During the hours of unconsciousness, when we are asleep, our Father's care keeps us in health, guards our homes, and gives us strength to meet another day. Surely there must be thanksgiving in the morning, too. The Psalmist 'I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustained me.' Prayer is not merely asking for what we want. It is kneeling down and waiting for the dear Lord to tell us of His secrets of love. If you and I are Christians we must have the habit of praying constantly to God, never letting lesser things crowd this out. A good way to secure time in the morning for prayer is to rise a half hour earlier and have one's silent time then."—Selected.

### A Boy's Composition

Water is found everywhere, especially when it rains, as it did the other day, when our cellar was half full. Jane had to wear her father's rubber boots to get the onions for dinner. Onions make your eyes water, and so does horse-radish when you eat too much. There is a good many kinds of water in the world—rain water, soda water, holy water and brine. Water is used for a good many things. Sailors use it to go to sea on. If there wasn't any ocean the ship couldn't float and they would have to stay ashore. Water is a good thing to catch fish in. Nobody could be saved from drowning if there wasn't any water to pull them out of. Water is first-rate to put fires out with.

This is all I can think about water, except the flood.—Sel.

### Careful of Razor.

"Oh George, before you get your razor I must tell you that I—I borrowed it yesterday."

"What again?"

"Y-yes. I had to do some ripping. But it's just as good as ever. You'll never notice the difference. I sharpened it on the stovepipe."

### Militarism.

What does this term mean anyhow? We hear a great deal about it these days, and we ought to have a clear understanding of its meaning.

A distinguished citizen of this section of the State paid a visit to Germany a year or two ago, and as it happened his journey took him over the district now deluged in blood. We were charmed with his description of the section he visited and his interpretation of the German spirit. From him we received a luminous illustration of what militarism means.

This gentleman said in the first place the courtesy and kindness to strangers that he found in England was wholly lacking in Germany. The war lords (every head of a house hold is a war lord) swaggered through the streets of the villages talking war and drinking beer, while their women and children were out in the harvest fields gathering the crops for the support of the family. This intelligent traveller was deeply impressed with the selfish bluster of these men who still cling to the heathen notion that might makes right, and that the strong are appointed by Providence to enjoy the good things of life, and the weak are to serve the strong.

And that is militarism. Germany is infected with this spirit. With all her culture and enterprise she has not kept pace with the enlighted nations of the world in the altruistic and kindly spirit that bears the burdens of the week. On the other hand, the weak and helpless are the German burden bearers as they are among the heathen nations of the earth.

And for this reason the sympathy of the world is with the Allies in the awful struggle now going on in Europe. The sun is too high in the heavens for the military spirit to survive. Might does not make right, but on the contrary it generally makes wrong. The Nazarene, whom Germany professes to follow, but practically has denied and disowned, started a new current of thought in the world and that is that greatness is born of humble service rather than of the glittering sword!

When the war is over, the spirit of militarism will be uprooted and destroyed. An enormous price must be paid, but perhaps a lesser sacrifice would not have accomplished this result. The military spirit has festered in Germany for a half century, and it is now being cut out by the armies of the Allies. We believe that Germany is being saved from herself in the stoppage of her streams of poison which she has been sending out over the whole world, and that the new Germany will become what the present Germany could never have been—a government of, by and for the people.—Charity and Children.

### The Innocent Bystander.

However history may assign the responsibility for this war Belgium surely is innocent. She sent no ultimatums and played no game of statecraft. War was simply stuffed down her chroat. She had no option of actepting or rejecting it. When the German Army crossed the borders war was brought to her whether see wanted it or not. Her only possible choice was either fighting Germany, which violated her sovereignty, or fighting the allies.

And on Belgium the loses of the war have fallen with terrible force. Her fields have been tramped, her villages burned, her Capital occupied; and Germany at once demanded huge money indemnities from her. Belgium has a clear title to the sympathy of civilized mankind. —Saturday Evening Post.

The Counsel—How do you know this night letter was forged by a man and not written by the woman whose name is signed to it? The Expert—Because it contains just forty-eight words, and a woman would have used two more to get her money's worth.

### He Meant Well.

"But, Captain Hawley," said the handsome Miss Plute coquettishly, "will you love me when I grow old and ugly?"

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### Overcoming

Overcoming brings the greatest joy that a child of God can know. But overcoming is not possible without something to overcome; and that something is offered to us with every temptation. We weary of our temptations; we long to be free from them; yet if that longing were granted now and here, we should be robbed of privilege that nothing else could replace.

Probably there are no regret in heaven; but if there were, can we imagine a keener regret than that of looking back at the privilege of strugglewhich belongs to every soul on earth along with the assurance of victory through Christ, and knowing that we were cut off forever from the joy of resisting and conquering the powers of evil—a privilege that we had so often wasted when it was ours? God gives us only a limited lifetime of this sort of character-making opportunity.

It is a privilege that perhaps angels do not have; but the Son of God shared it with us.

Shall we not rejoice in it and use it to the uttermost while we may? —Canadian Presbyterian.

### Be Fair to Your Opponent

Do not assume that whoever disagrees with you is either dishonest or a fool. Some people cannot argue a question in which they are interested, without practically insulting their opponent. It is a narrow mind which is unable to recognize that broad differences of opinion are compatible with average intelligence and perfect candor. Be fair to your opponent. Take it for granted that he wants to get at truth just as much as you do.—Ex.

### A Prophecy

The day will come when the only battlefield will be the market open to commerce and the mind opening to new ideas. A day will come when a cannon will be exhibited in public museums, just as an instrument of torture is now, and people will be astonished how such a thing could have been. A day will come when these two immense groups, the United States of America and the United States of Europe shall be seen placed in presence of each other extending the hand of fellowship across the ocean.—Victor Hugo.


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